# **ALT-MSA HANDBOOK PART 8:** PORTFOLIO MATERIALS ORDERING

#### MATERIALS ORDERING

Materials will be ordered by the School Test Coordinator or LAC online (see User's Guide on following pages) and sent directly to school test coordinators by the Test Contractor. If for some reason the School Test Coordinator can not order materials online, the form provided may be used. The School Test Coordinator will distribute the appropriate quantity of materials to the test examiners. The materials include:

- Binders
- Dividers
- Containers for videotapes
- Labels
- VHS Videotape, DVD-R, CD-R, VHS-C tape, 8mm tape, Hi 8 tape, Digital 8 tape, or MiniDV tape, as appropriate
- ALT-MSA Brochures for Parents/Guardians

Although a wide variety of forms of video media are acceptable, it is the STCs responsibility to order the appropriate recording equipment needed.

The binder and the videotapes must be identified with pre-printed barcode labels provided by the Test Contractor. (See Part 9 of this Handbook for detailed instructions). The pre-printed labels include the student's name, grade, school, county, and test year as well as a machine-readable barcode which will be used to track and identify the portfolios during the scoring process.

# TEST EDITION 2004 – 2005 ALTERNATE MARYLAND SCHOOL ASSESSMENT (ALT-MSA) MATERIAL ORDER FORM

Pearson Educational Measurement (PEM) is offering Schools in Maryland the ability to order materials via the SchoolHouse Website at <a href="mailto:ncsschoolhouse.com">ncsschoolhouse.com</a>. If you are unable to use the site for ordering you may use this form to order via fax, email, or regular mail. To participate it is necessary for the School Test Coordinator to complete this material order form and return it to Pearson Educational Measurement. We suggest that a copy of the order be retained for your records.

#### Fax, email, or mail your order to Pearson Educational Measurement

Pearson Educational Measurement 2510 North Dodge Street Iowa City, IA 52245 Attn: Margaret Meeker

Fax Number: (319)339-6477 Attn: Margaret Meeker

Email: Maryland@pearson.com

Material	Quantity
2 inch binder (per student portfolio)	
8mm HG (Digital Hi8)	
8mm (Standard)	
CDR	
Mini DV	
DVD-R	
VHS Video Cassette	
VHS- C Video Cassette	
Audio Cassette	
Micro Audio Cassette	
School Name:  School Address:	School code:
School Phone:	
School FAX:	
School Email Address:	
Note: Informational Brochures will be shipped automaterial orders MUST be submitted by September	

deadlines. Material requests not submitted on time will be distributed after October 22, 2004.



# **School Test Coordinator's Guide to SchoolHouse**



# Using Your SchoolHouse Web Site

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# **NEED HELP?**

If you have general questions about accessing online services or if you are experiencing technical problems, please call our technical support staff at **(800) 553-2159** between 7 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. CT, Monday through Friday.

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## INTRODUCTION

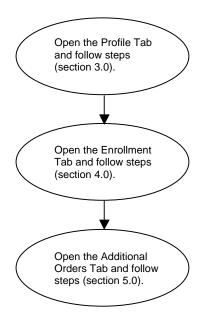
The Pearson Educational Measurement (PEM) SchoolHouse Web site for Maryland's Alternate Maryland School Assessment (Alt-MSA) allows School Test Coordinators (STCs) to provide school and student information necessary for the Alt-MSA test administration.

You can access your SchoolHouse Web site at <u>ncsschoolhouse.com</u>. Click one of the red **Login** links (see Figure 1.1) and enter the User ID and Password assigned to you by PEM.

#### **IMPORTANT**

- The screens displayed in this user guide are samples and may not reflect exactly what you see on your screen.
   Always follow the instructions on your computer screen. They will be accurate for Maryland's Alt-MSA administration.
- Do not use Internet Explorer® or Netscape Navigator® Back or Forward arrows. Because they are outside control of the SchoolHouse software program, results may be undesirable.
- Please note that SchoolHouse requires browser Microsoft® Internet Explorer 5.x or Netscape Navigator® 6.1 or higher.

You can use the SchoolHouse tabs in any order you want after you log in. The first time you use SchoolHouse; however, you may want to go through in this order:



You can change your school's contact information at any time using the Profile function.

Enrollment takes you directly through entering enrollment counts, and changing the profile (contact information).

Additional Orders lets you easily order more materials that were left out for any reason.

#### **NOTE:**

Your security
access and site
functionality are
determined by
your User ID and
Password.

As an STC, you may not have complete access to all of the SchoolHouse features described in this guide.

#### **NOTE:**

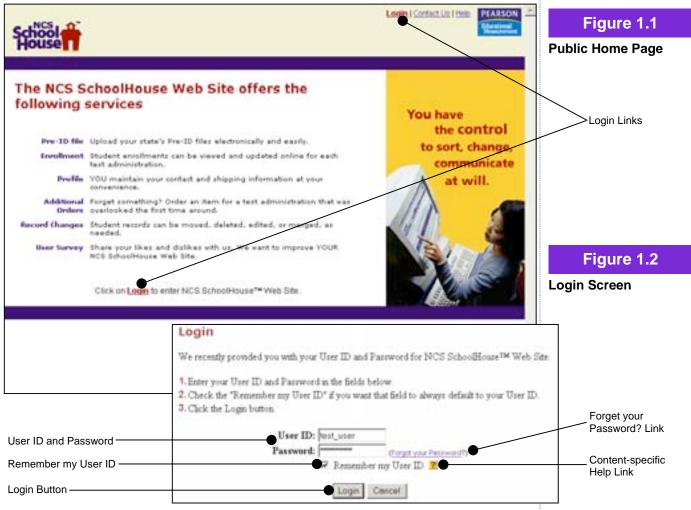
The online
Enrollment feature
is 50% faster than
editing your
enrollment counts
on paper!

## 1.0 LOGIN

At the top of the public **Home** page, you will find the **Login** links (see Figure 1.1). You must log in to gain access to any of your school data. After clicking on the **Login** link, you will be asked to enter the User ID and Password assigned to you by PEM (see Figure 1.2).

# You will not be able to view customized information for your school until you have successfully logged in.

**NOTE:** 



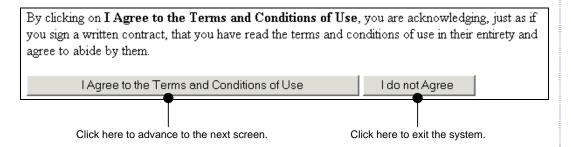
Check the "Remember my User ID" box to have NCS SchoolHouse fill in your user ID whenever you log in.

If you have forgotten your password, click the (Forgot your Password?) link.

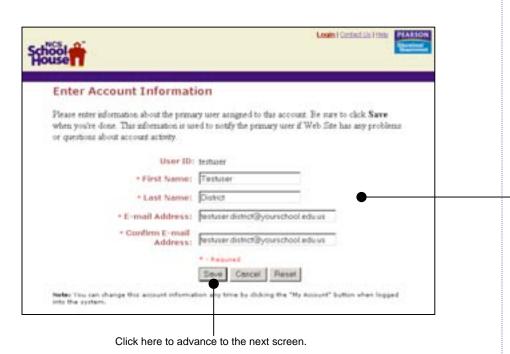
#### NOTE:

The <u>Forgot Your</u>
<u>Password</u> link only
works if you have
previously logged in
to SchoolHouse.

The first time you log in, a User Agreement will appear on your screen. Review the Terms and Conditions of Use for the Web site, then click the **I Agree to the Terms and Conditions of Use** button to go to the next screen.



To activate your account, PEM needs to know the name and e-mail address of the representative using the account (typically an STC). You must fill out this information the first time you log in (see Figure 1.4). You can change the account name and e-mail address at any time by clicking on the **My Account** tab (see Figure 2.2).



**Logging Out** – As an additional security precaution, we request you log out of SchoolHouse each time you have finished your tasks. To log out, click the **Logout** link (see Figure 2.2), then close the browser window.

## Figure 1.3

Terms and Conditions of Use

#### Figure 1.4

Enter / Update Account Information Screen

Enter primary account user information.

#### **NOTE:**

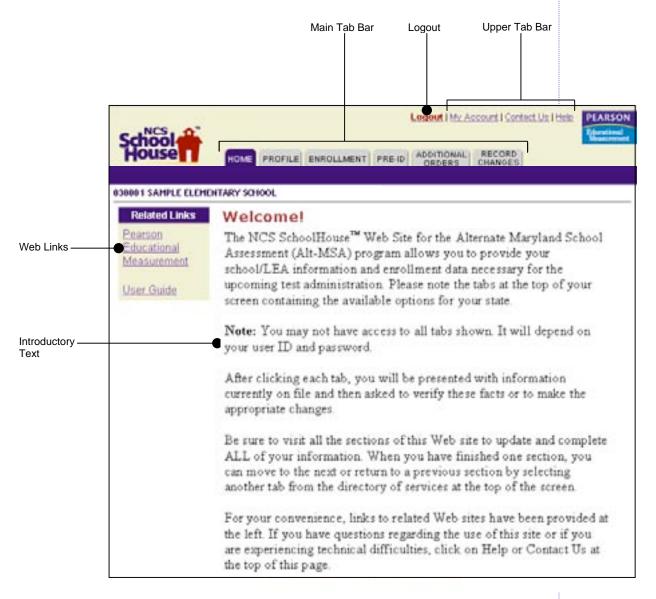
All screens shown in this manual are samples and may not reflect exactly what you see on your screen.

#### 2.0 HOME

The **Home** page provides important information for Maryland, including Web links and testing schedules. Introductory or instructional text may also be provided (see Figure 2.1).

#### Figure 2.1

**Home Page** 



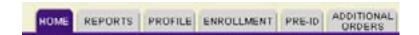
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The **upper tab bar** in the top right corner appears consistently on every page of the Web site (see Figure 2.2). Note that the tabs at the top of the **Home** page contain the available options for your state.

Logout I My Account I Contact Us I Help

- Use the **My Account** tab to view your current account information. You can change your name, e-mail address, and password.
- Use the Contact Us tab to reach PEM technical support and the point of contact assigned to your state's assessment program.
- Use the **Help** tab to find general information and tips, including frequently asked questions about SchoolHouse. More content-specific help is available wherever you see a question mark icon: ■.
- Always use the **Logout** link whenever you exit the system.

The **main tab bar** shows the available options for Maryland (see Figure 2.3). These functions are discussed in detail on the following pages. **Note:** As an STC, you will not have access to all functions—some functions are reserved for use by the LAC and the Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE).



## Figure 2.2

**Upper Tab Bar** 

# Figure 2.3

Main Tab Bar

#### NOTE:

As an STC, you may not have access to all of the SchoolHouse features described in this guide.

Your screens may look slightly different than those displayed in this manual.

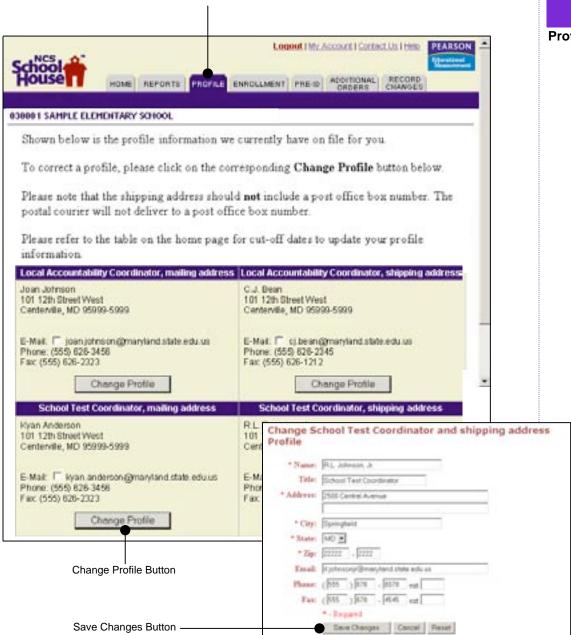
## 3.0 PROFILE

Clicking on the main bar **Profile** tab will take you to a screen containing current information for your School Test Coordinator or Local Accountability Coordinator (see Figure 3.1). Fields marked with an asterisk are required.

To edit the profile, click on the **Change Profile** button beneath the contact information. Remember to click on the **Save Changes** button after making edits.

To send an e-mail message to the contacts, click on the checkbox next to their e-mail address. Then click on the **Send E-mail** button [function not available on all profile screens].

Profile Tab



#### **NOTE:**

You will have another opportunity to update your **Profile** information at the end of the **Enrollment** process.

## Figure 3.1

**Profile Screen** 

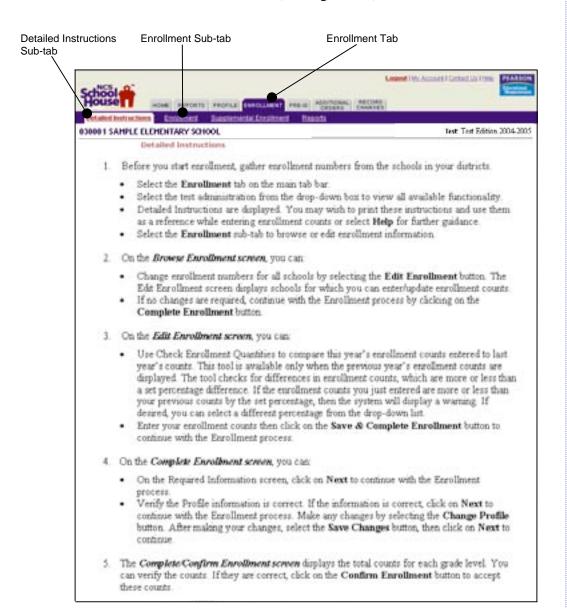
## 4.0 MATERIALS ORDERING

To order ALT-MSA materials for your school and students, click the **Enrollment** tab on the main tab bar. Before you are able to view specific enrollment information, you must select a test administration from the **Test Administration** drop-down list on the right side of the screen (if applicable).

#### **Detailed Instructions**

After you've selected a test administration, the **Detailed Instructions** screen will be provided for you. **Read all of the instructions carefully before proceeding.** You may want to print these instructions for future reference because you cannot return to this page during the enrollment process.

Next, click on the **Enrollment** sub-tab (see Figure 4.1).



#### **NOTE:**

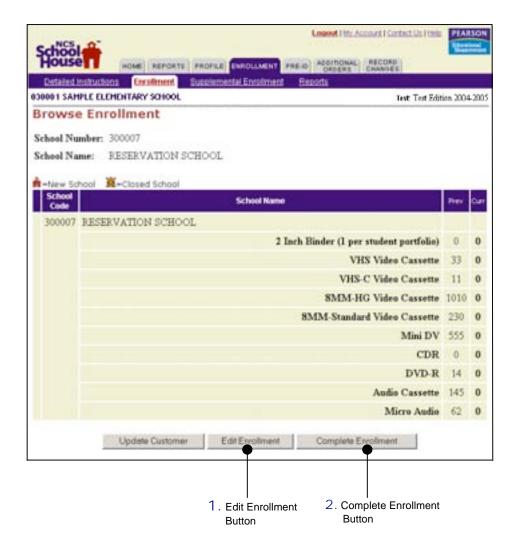
You need to gather enrollment numbers before beginning online enrollment.

#### Figure 4.1

Enrollment > Detailed Instructions Screen

#### **Browse and Edit Enrollment**

Using the **Browse Enrollment** screen (see Figure 4.2) you can enter enrollment counts.



- 1. To enter enrollment counts, click on the **Edit Enrollment** button. It will take you to the **Edit Enrollment** screen (see Figure 4.3).
- 2. To complete enrollment, click on the **Complete Enrollment** button. It will take you through the Complete Enrollment process.

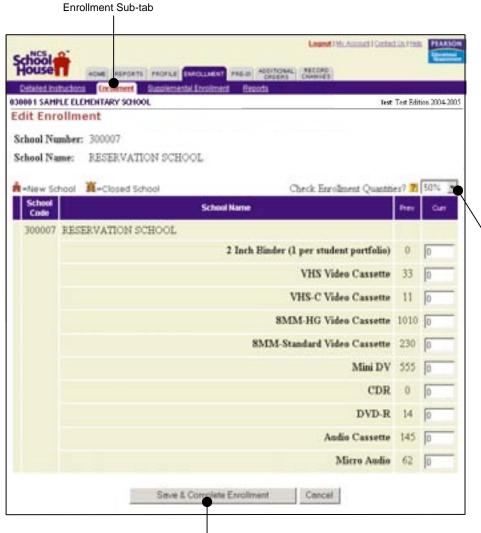
The **Edit Enrollment** screen (see Figure 4.3) allows you to enter enrollment counts. During specific windows of time (start and end dates), you can change this enrollment data as often as necessary.

## Figure 4.2

Enrollment > Browse Enrollment Screen

#### **NOTE:**

During the specific cutoff period, you can change this enrollment data as often as necessary.



Save & Complete Enrollment Button

- 1. Select the **Check Enrollment Quantities** percentage. It will check for differences in enrollment counts that are more or less than a set percentage difference. For example: When it is set at 50%, the system will display a warning if your newly added enrollment counts are 50% more or 50% less than the previous year's counts.
- 2. Make changes on the edit enrollment pages.
- 3. Click the **Save & Complete Enrollment** button.
- 4. The **Edit Supplemental Enrollment** screen come up. It is not functional for your school. Click on the **Next** button.
- 5. The **Complete Enrollment** screen displays your profile information. You can change it or click the **Next** button.
- 6. Confirm that your enrollment data is correct, then click the **Confirm Enrollment** button. The "Enrollment Order Confirmation Successful" message is displayed.

## Figure 4.3

Enrollment > Edit Enrollment Screen



Check Enrollment Quantities

# **Enrollment Reports**

The **Reports** screen (see Figure 4.4) provides a summary view of your enrollment count information. Click on the **Reports** sub-tab to access this feature.



# Figure 4.4

Enrollment > Reports Screen

#### **NOTE:**

The Reports function helps you make sure you have entered enrollments for all your schools.

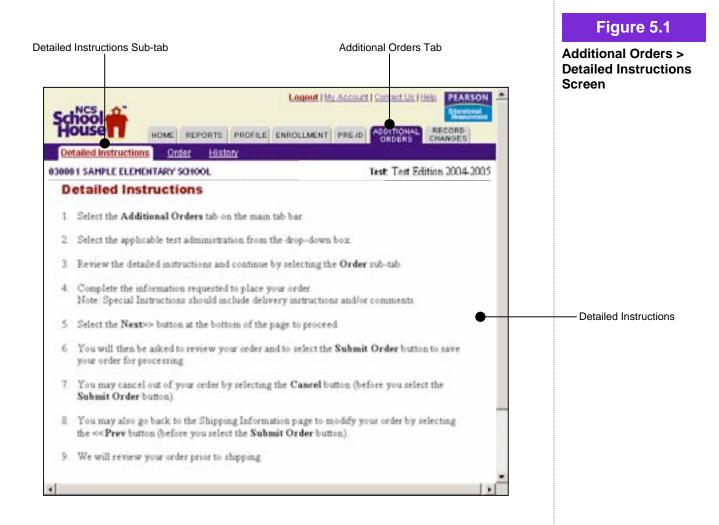
## 5.0 ADDITIONAL ORDERS

Additional orders can be submitted via the Schoolhouse Web site for immediate receipt by PEM. Items available for additional orders are listed online for easy selection. Orders are received, verified, assembled, and shipped.

Click on the **Additional Orders** tab on the main tab bar (see Figure 6.1), then select a test from the **test administration** drop-down list.

#### **Detailed Instructions**

The **Detailed Instructions** screen shows you how to use Additional Orders. **Read all the instructions carefully before proceeding.** You may wish to print these instructions for reference.

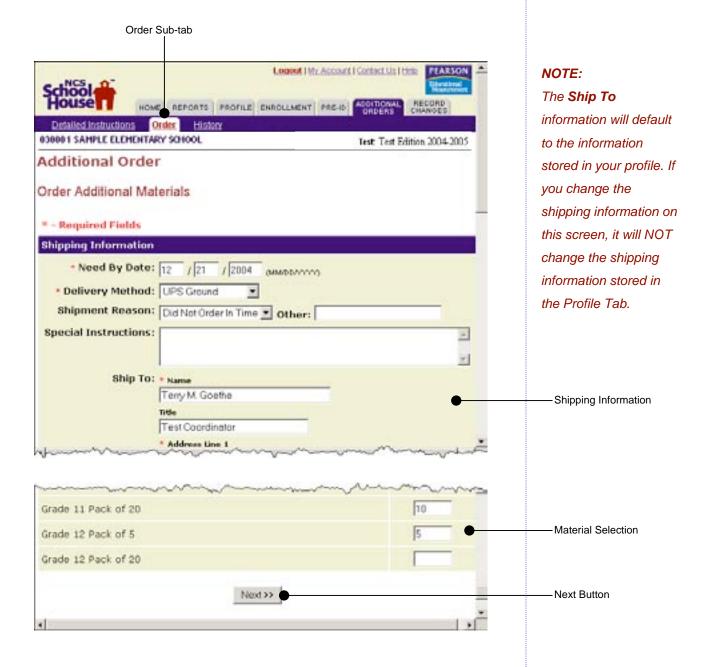


#### **Order Additional Materials**

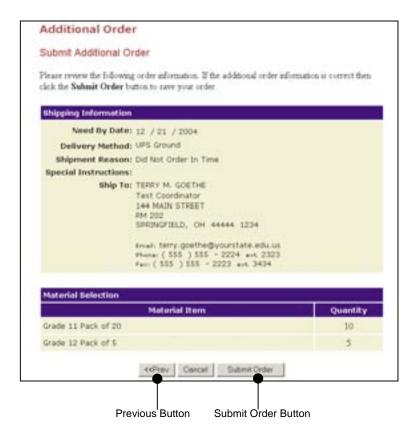
Next, click on the **Order** sub-tab. Fill in all of the required fields and enter the additional order quantities you need, then click the **Next** button (see Figure 5.2).

# Figure 5.2

Additional Orders > Order Additional Materials Screen



The next screen (see Figure 5.3) displays your additional order information. Review it for accuracy. If the information is correct, click the **Submit Order** button. If it is incorrect, click the **Prev** (Previous) button to go back and edit the information.



#### Figure 5.3

Additional Orders > Submit Additional Order Screen

#### **Order Confirmation**

You will then receive confirmation that your order has been submitted successfully for processing. This screen shows the order date, your user ID, user name, and the status of the order (see Figure 5.4).



# Figure 5.4

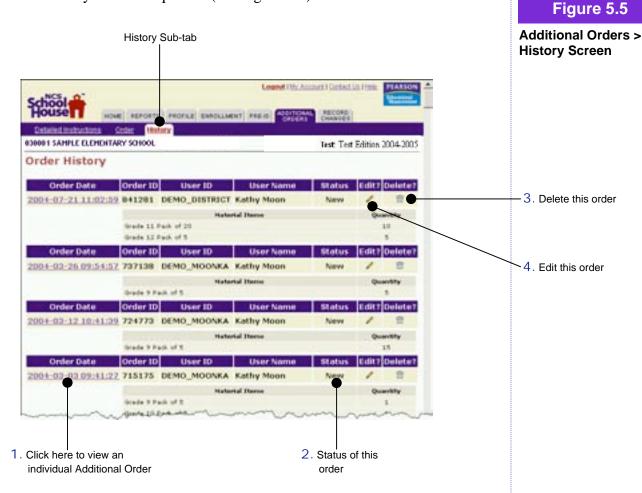
Additional Orders > Order Confirmation Screen

#### NOTE:

You may want to print the confirmation screen and keep a hard copy for your records.

# **Order History**

You also can click on the **History** sub-tab to view an online history of all the additional orders you have requested (see Figure 5.5).



- 1. Clicking on the underlined **Order Date** allows you to view your order.
- 2. The **Status** column indicates whether the order has been approved by PEM. A "New" status means PEM has not yet picked up the file. An "Approved" status means PEM has approved the order and will be processing it.
- 3. To delete the additional order from the Order History, click on the trash can icon in the **Delete?** column. The delete function is only available if the status is NOT approved.
- 4. To make changes to your order, click on the pencil icon in the **Edit?** column. The edit function is only available if the status is NOT approved.